

**NORTHVILLE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 21, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

1. **Call Meeting to Order:**
The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Andrea Murdock at 1:04 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:**
Commission Members: Lesa Buckland, Patrick Giesa, Mindy Herrmann, Angela Jaafar, Bob Lipmyer, Andrea Murdock, Jan Purtell, Dory Schmidt, Jan Valade
Staff Members: Nicole Messina, Mark Gasche
Guest(s): Shaun Nicoloff
3. **Announcements and Citizens Comments:**
Murdock welcomed committee members to our first virtual meeting. Due to the Corona virus pandemic the meeting scheduled for April 16 was cancelled and the May 21 meeting was held virtually via Zoom.
4. **Adoption of the Agenda:** Motion by Herrmann, second by Geisa to approve the agenda. Motion passed.
5. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Hermann, second by Valade to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2020 regular meeting. Motion passed.
6. **Monthly Reports:**
 - A. **Supervisor's Report**
 - Nicky Messina was introduced as the new Senior Services Supervisor.
 - B. **Transportation Report**
 - Ridership Report – Messina presented the Transportation Program Ridership report YTD through April, 2020 totaling 845 rides and \$1,892 in fares. Due to the pandemic only medical rides have been offered since mid March. The vehicle is cleaned after each destination; masks are required of drivers and passengers.
 - The two new vans from Wayne County/SMART have not arrived yet.
 - C. **Participation Report**
 - All programs, events, activities and trips were cancelled beginning March 16 due to the Corona virus pandemic; Messina presented an updated Participation Report for March/April, 2020 with Total Ongoing Activities at 1,183 (March) and 110 (April) participants; liquid nutrition distribution has continued through Wayne County; Wellness checks

are continuing also. The Senior Fest scheduled for June was cancelled but may be rescheduled for fall.

D. Recent/Upcoming Events/Programs/Trips

7. Old Business: None

8. New Business:

A. NCC Operations Status:

- Public facilities may open up in the near future; waiting for restrictions to be lifted from Corona virus; it may be possible for small groups of less than 10 participants to meet for activities such as yoga and elder law/financial planning; exploring options for virtual programs through Zoom i.e. line dancing and discussion groups.
- Discussion of communicating safety precautions to participants; may consider offering more outside activities such as walking group at Ford Field or Tai Chi on the lawn; suggested contacting Planet Fitness and St. Mary's Health to explore partnering with programming.
- Grand Experience at the Grand Hotel, Mackinaw Island, October 6-9, 2020 sponsored by mParks; sign-ups are slow, but remain open.

9. Reports:

A. City Liaison report – Giesa

- City budget for 2020-21 approved with anticipated revenue reduction.
- Will hold a teleconference via Zoom on 6/6 re lot size.

B. Township Liaison report – Herrmann

- Township Board meeting tonight via Zoom
 - Considering roof replacements at Millennium & Community Parks
 - Auditor report will be posted on website
- Township revenue stream from tax base is uncertain; millage renewal for police and fire support is being considered

C. School Board Liaison report - Jaafar

- COVID crisis - distance learning program launched April 18
- Task force re students re-entering schools in the fall established; will be sure to comply with CDC guidelines
- Bond construction project at Hillside Middle School has been delayed two months with launch estimated as January 1st, 2021
- Anticipated that the per pupil funding by the State will be reduced \$700 to \$1,000 per student; it is currently about \$8,600 per student
- Summer school programs are in place for at-risk students
- Approximately 350 Chrome books were distributed to students due to school closures for the pandemic
- Celebration of 2020 Northville High School graduates with a parade is planned for May 29; more information will follow

D. Chairperson & Commissioner comments

- Digital edition of the “Inspire” newsletter will be published in June
- Next meeting will likely be through Zoom; prefer in person if possible
- Housing Commission - no cases of COVID at Allan Terrace; residents still receiving Meals on Wheels during shut down

10. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, June 18, 2020

11. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Giesa, second by Herrmann. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jan Purtell, Secretary